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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE**

Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment

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NOTE FOR: Deputy Director for National
Foreign Assessment

SUBJECT: Record of IG Meeting on
Nonproliferation Policy

The draft paper mentioned in the attached memo for the record has very little intelligence content and addresses itself almost exclusively to reestablishing the US as a reliable nuclear supplier and a "friend of nuclear energy development" (I will send you a copy should you wish to see it). A number of other papers are in preparation which we will be coordinating. I made no comments concerning the covert action suggestion that was briefly discussed at the meeting (attended by a lot of people I didn't recognize).

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1. Introduction and Game Plan. [] and the undersigned attended the meeting which was chaired by James L. Malone, Assistant Secretary of State (Designate) for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs. His principal deputy, Harry Marshall, presented a draft paper covering the main lines of what is a new US nonproliferation policy that would "restore US credibility and influence." Mr. Malone said it was important to have a final version of the paper (containing an "IG consensus") for making a recommendation to the SIG within the next two weeks. []

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2. Key Comments of Participants. The most serious views in opposition to the general approach taken in the draft paper were registered by Richard Burt (Director, Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs). He said nonproliferation was a "defense policy" problem, not a "technical fix" problem; and the main focus ought to be placed on regional security issues, not on nuclear exports. Malone agreed with this general view in cases where a "real proliferation risk" was evident. Burt said that "solutions" in certain cases will be found only in the context of broader security considerations and policies. General Skaff (JCS) agree with Burt. Malone promised to "flesh out" the paper to incorporate Burt's views while warning that the US should not be perceived as being an unreliable nuclear supplier--"we don't want to be cut out of the world nuclear picture." []

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3. Covert Action. Mark Schneider (State Policy Planning Staff) twice referred to nonproliferation as a "PR problem." He said that the IG also should consider the need for covert action, and he specifically

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mentioned Libya in this connection. Burt suggested that a working
group of the IG be established for this purpose and Malone agreed.
OSD, JCS, State/PM, and State/OES were suggested as participants.

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